

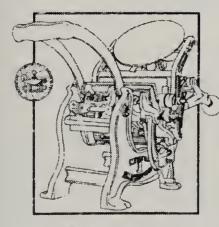
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President's Message

Hello ILNA Members,

This message is coming from your new president Don Keopple II. I would like to first say thank you for the many years of service to Jack Huggins our past president. This organization has come a long way in the 6 years Jack has been president. Jack 's shoes will be hard to fill but I'm sure

going to try. I'm sure I will be asking a lot of questions and getting a lot of advice from Jack.

I would like to tell you a little about myself.

I've been a coin dealer with my wife Brenda and son D.J for 17+ years. We own Ace Coins in Moline. If you wish to contact me I can be emailed at acecoins3319@aol.com or call me at the store 309-797-5066. I welcome all questions and comments.

This year's show was a few weeks ago as I'm writing this and was a huge success. Again, many thanks goes out to Kermit and Donna Wasmer, Jack Huggins and all the ILNA board members who help make this show a success. The dealer party was a big hit again this year with an attendance of 95 dealers.

The auction by Fox Valley was also a big hit Saturday and was well attended with very strong bids.

The ILNA spring show will be in Watseka this March 6, 2005, hope to see you there. The ILNA Board Meeting with start at 2 PM.

I would also like to take this opportunity to say thank you to Ron Adamk for his generous donation to ILNA it will be used for the ANA summer seminar scholarship for 2005.

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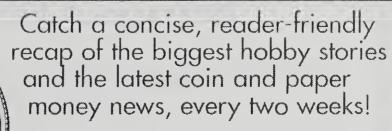
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Making Sense by John D. Wright



International events of much interest are lacking for this year, and local events seem to center around political wrangling.

Charles Carroll, the last surviving signer of the US Declaration of Independence dies this year at age 95.

The US Army's daily liquor ration is abolished this year, ending a tradition established over a century earlier under the British.

"Phrenology" is introduced to America this year. This "science" proposes to identify a person's moral character and intellectual capacity by studying the shape and protuberances of the skull.

This year the Oregon Trail becomes the main route for settlers headed for Oregon Territory. The Trail runs from Independence, Missouri, through the Platte and Snake River valleys to the mouth of the Columbia River.

A transcontinental railroad is suggested in print for the first time this year. This proposal will become real in 1855 across Panama (the world's first transcontinental railroad: 48 miles), in 1869 across the United States, in 1885 across Canada, in 1905 across Eurasia, and in 1912 across Australia. There is still no transcontinental railroad for South America, Africa, Greenland, or Antarctica.

The "Black Hawk War" begins and ends this year as Black Hawk leads a band of Sauk Indians across the Mississippi River to reclaim their ceded lands in the Wisconsin Territory. Within four months they are clearly defeated at the "massacre of Bad Axe". Two US soldiers serving in this war are Abraham Lincoln and Jefferson Davis.

The cholera pandemic reaches the US this year, as 4,000 die from it in NYC in June. The disease spreads west and south, killing 6,000 in New Orleans and decimating several Indian nations.

The New England Anti-Slavery Society is founded this year in Boston.

The Ohio and Erie Canal is completed this year, connecting Cleveland to the Ohio River. The canal has taken seven years to dig. Construction is begun this year in Indiana on the 459-mile Wabash Canal, which will take 23 years to complete.

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On July 13, 2004, the Lake County Coin Club (IL) celebrated it's 50th anniversary with a gathering of forty-five members and guests. The celebration was held at a local restaurant with Thomas Van Zyle as Master of Ceremonies. The MC introduced Mr. Cliff Mishler of numismatic fame as the featured speaker. Other club members also had short remembrances which they were willing to share.

A holder containing a 1954 and a 2004 Lewis & Clark nickel was presented to each attendee. At the end of the ceremony, door prizes were handed out to five lucky people.

During the program, Bill Spencer, President of LCCC, gave a plaque of recognition to the 50th anniversary committee members. On the next page are pictures of this committee and of the event.

As a lasting tribute of the anniversary, the club has commissioned a special one ounce round medal made of .999 silver. LCCC member James Evans designed the obverse with the 50th anniversary theme and the reverse depicts the 2003 Quarter Dollar design with Abraham Lincoln and the State of Illinois outline.

This may be obtained by sending payment to LCCC, PO Box 452, Highwood, IL 60040-0452. The cost is \$15.00 each or \$14.00 each in quantities of 3, postpaid. There is also a gold plated version available at \$18.00 each postpaid. Each order will have a special gift included, while supplies last.



Lake County Coin Club's 50th Anniversary



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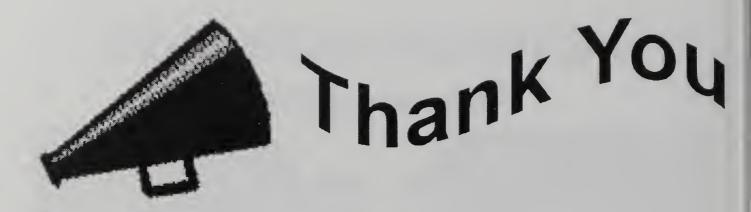
Les Hannula, Bill Spencer, Cliff Mishler, Jim Evans, George Efsen



Left to Right: Tom Van Zeyl, Cliff Mishler



Left to Right: Jim Evans, George Efsen, Les Hannula, Don Taylor, Tom Van Zeyl



Dear ILNA,

I would like to thank ILNA for the scholarship you gave me to attend the 2004 American Numismatic Association Summer Seminar, in Colorado Springs, Co. this July.

It was a great experience and I very much appreciate the opportunity you gave me.

The Summer Seminar is held at the Colorado College and we stayed in the dorms on campus for the week I was there. I took United States Tokens taught by David Schenkman. Our class covered United States tokens and medals from 1833 to date. We covered hard times tokens, Civil war tokens, Sutler tokens, embossed shell cards, trade checks, transportation tokens and many 20th century tokens and medals. Mr. Schenkman brought hundreds of examples of each category of tokens for us to examine. I learned a lot and have had a great time looking up and researching the tokens that I have in my collection.

Summer Seminar is not all work; we did a lot of activities in the evening. I took a tour to Pikes Peak on the cog railroad, went to the Denver mint for a special floor tour where we were allowed to walk through during production. I also participated in the youth auction where I recorded the auction lots as they sold. I had a great time and I would encourage everyone that is interested in numismatics to attend the ANA summer seminar. Thank you to ILNA for a great week.

D.J. Keopple III

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Mail all show dates as soon as they are set. We will put them in all "Digests" that space allows. We also list them on our web site as soon as we are notified in writing. Let ILNA help your club, list your club show dates as soon as possible.

Our web site also lists the meeting place and time of all member clubs. If you change your meeting time, location or date, please let us know as soon as possible. We will make corrections in the "Digest" and on our web site.

In hopes that some of your members would like to write an article for the "Digest", please pass these closing dates along to your club members.

Please take **pictures** at your coin shows and mail them to me so we can use them in your "Digest" and on the web site. Please write on the back of each photograph who is in the picture. Color photographs are fine.

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Laminated Error Coins

By Frank M. Zapushek "Mr. Z"



How is an error like this split planchet Shield nickel possible? What can cause such an error?



The mint use to buy its metal in one foot by one foot by 1/2 inch squares. This made metal mixing easy, but not without its problems.

When the metal was made for the mint, small amounts of impurities or gases could get into the molted metal. (This was considered normal and acceptable by the mint.) When the molted metal was poured into these squares, the impurities or gases could be trapped inside the squares as the molted metal cooled.

The use of these squares helped make the metal mixture needed for the planchets. As an example, lets take a 90% silver mix.

The mint would place 9 squares of silver for every 1 square of copper for a 90% silver mix. The number of squares used would be determined by the amount of metal needed by the mint, but the mix would remain the same. 9 squares of silver for every 1 square of copper.

This combination of metals would be lifted by a conveyor belt and dumped into a large melting pot. This pot could hold up to 6000 pounds of molted metal that was blended into the 90% mix. During this mixing process, impurities or gases could again be trapped in the molted metal or some of the molted metal may not be mixed properly.

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How can I distinguish between advertisements for genuine U.S. coins and those for coin replicas?

Businesses that market replicas of genuine U.S. coins typically use terminology such as "copy," "replica," "reproduction," "adaptation," "miniature," "magnification," or "giant proof" in their advertisements to describe replica products. To avoid counterfeiting violations, businesses often produce replicas of U.S. coins in larger diameter (e.g., 3½ inches), quarter-pound, half-pound and one-pound versions. Thus, if you see this terminology used, or this size or weight advertised, it is likely that the advertised product is a replica and is not a genuine U.S. coin.

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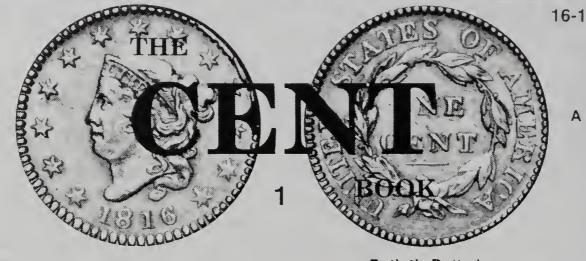
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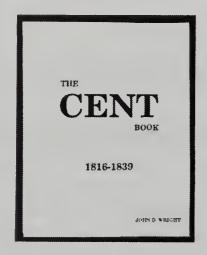
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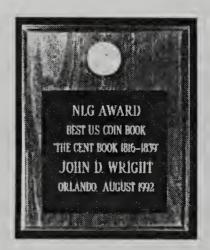
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Making Sense (Cont.)

"Ann McKim", the first clipper ship, is built this year in Baltimore. The new design boasts extreme length and an enormous area of sail, both of which make the clippers the fastest sea vessels of their time. The clippers will rule the seas for several decades.

The world's first streetcar begins service this year in New York City. The "John Mason" is the first of two horse-drawn cars that can carry forty passengers each.

President Andrew Jackson vetos the re-charter of the Bank of the United States. The US Senate falls five votes short of overriding this veto.

The Democratic Party (formerly the Democratic Republican Party) nominates Andrew Jackson for a second term as US President. Neither the Party nor the President has a platform.

Jackson wins a landslide victory based solely on personal charisma and his vehement opposition to the Bank of the US. His continuing efforts to kill this bank spawns the first widely circulated political tokens here, which will within a few years circulate alongside federal-issue coinage. His wholesale distribution of political offices to his supporters and friends is defended in a speech by Senator Marcy of NY, who proclaims "To the victor belongs the spoils of the enemy".

South Carolina holds a convention which nullifies the federal tariff acts of this year and four years earlier. The bill specifies secession from the Union and the use of state militia to oppose federal troops should the federal government resort to force.

Jackson retaliates by reinforcing the federal forts off Charleston and warning SC publicly that "No state can secede from the Union", and that "Disunion by armed force is treason".

The question of nullification is best stated as "Does a state have the right to declare null and void a federal law with which that state disagrees?" Jackson's response addressed secession, not nullification. In the 1960's, George Wallace called out Alabama State Troopers to nullify the federal desegregation order. The Troopers were stood down because nullification requires an act by a state legislature, not an administrator. To this day, the US Supreme Court has never been called to address the nullification question.

The year was 1832. That the Civil War smouldered for another 29 years before erupting into bloodshed is indeed a miracle. It is interesting that the very forts strengthened in 1832 are the ones first attacked to begin the Civil War in 1861.

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Making Sense (Cont.)

During 1832 the US mint struck eight denominations of coins. The cents and half cents of this year are unremarkable, except for how common are the half cents today for their low mintage of only 51,000 pieces. The half dimes, dimes, quarter dollars, and half dollars contain nothing really remarkable. The quarter eagles, though quite rare (mintage 4,400), are no more so than any other pre-1834 quarter eagle. The half eagle of 1832 includes the only remarkable US coin of this year -- the twelve star variety (only about a half-dozen known today). This is only the second occurrence of a twelve-star die on any US coin. Fortunately, if you want "just any twelve-star", the half cent of 1828 with twelve stars is quite common and rather inexpensive.

So even a "dull" year can provide fascination -- if not for the coins themselves, then for the events and times they represent.

John D Wright is the author of "The CENT Book", which covers US cents of 1816-1839. He has collected US large cents for fifty years.



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Laminated (Cont.)

The molted metal was poured into water cooled molds that formed ingots that were about 18 feet long and weighed about three tons each.

These igots where then cut in half, making two 9 foot bars. Now the bars would fit inside a hot rolling mill that is heating to 1600 degrees. After about 11 or 12 passes with the rolling mill, the bar is know about 114 feet long. Once the proper thickness is accomplished, the strips are rolled into coils. These coils are now ready for the blanking machine.

The repeated heating of the metal and the pressure of the rolling mill can causes some of the impurities and gases to come to the surface and work its way to the surface. Other impurities and gases will stay inside the metal waiting for to be come to the surface later.

After the blanks are made, the coin is struck. It is during this striking process that more of the impurities and gases come to the surface. Since the impurities do not bond with the other metals, they will flake off as they come to the surface.

Even after the striking of the coin, some of the impurities and gases are just under the surface of the metal. The pressure of gases or the metal not bonding is what causes the gases to push off areas of the coins surface. If enough impurities or gas is centered inside the coin, the coin will split into two separate pieces.

Since the amount and placement of the impurities and gases are totally at random, no two laminate errors are the same.

Laminate errors are well known for the silver war nickels, because of the metal mix used for the nickels. It was very difficult to get a good blend of the 56% copper, 35% silver and 9% manganese used to strike the nickels.

In the sandwich coins produced today, impurities can cause the two metals not to bond properly. Causing parts of layers or complete layers to separate from the coins. This can occur bother before the planchet is struck or after the planchet is struck.

Not all laminate errors are created equal. As with all errors, many are made by man after they leaving the mint. Kind of an after market product. In most cases, the counterfeit laminate errors are easy to detect. But some must be examined carefully.

If a dollar is to be made, always look for the con artist. It is counterfeit until it is proven real.

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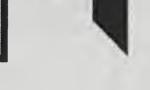
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Time to Say "Good-Bye" Time to Say "Hello"



I have enjoyed bring you this Digest over these many years. It has been both fun and educational for me and I hope for you the members.

I will continue to write articles for the Digest, but I have run out of ideas to keep improving ILNA's Digest. ILNA members deserve the best Digest produced in the hobby. It is time for new ideas to keep the Digest growing and improving.

New is good, improving is good and I hope you will give Bruce the same support you have given me over these many years.

Bruce and I will be working together next year to help make his learning curve as short as possible. I will be helping him learn the professional language and programs used by the printing industry.

We can look forward to continued improvement of the Digest.

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November 7, (Sun) Champaign-Urbana Coin Show, 9 AM to 4 PM, *Location:* Urbana Civic Center, 108 Water Street, Urbana, IL, *Admission:* Free Contact: Keith Le Seure, 1909 Moraine Drive, Champaign, IL 61822

November 14, (Sun) West Suburban Coin & Collectible Expo, Countryside, IL Park Place of Countryside Banquet Hall, 6200 Joliet Road, Countryside, IL, 9 AM to 3 PM, Tables: 60, Admission: Free, Contact: Kevin Wasmer Phone: 630 969-8547, email: kwasmer@comcast.net

November 14, (Sun) Central Illinois Numismatic Association Summer Coin Show-Springfield, IL. 9 AM to 4 PM *Location:* Northfield Center I, Northfield Drive and Dirksen Parkway (3210 Northfield Drive) Springfield, IL. *Tables:* 45 *Fee:* \$40 Admission: \$1 C.I.N.A. Members and children 16 and under are free. *Contact:* Patrick Devine, Show Chairman 217 787-3241

November 28, (Sun.) Mattoon Coin Club's 58th Coin Show, Mattoon, IL, Location: Burgess-Osborne Building (1 block east off Rt 45 at "T" Juction with Rt. 6), 1701 Wabash, Mattoon, 9 AM to 3 + PM, Fee \$35, Contact: Bob Ohm, Box 143 Mattoon, IL 61938, Phone 217 234-2585

December 12, **(Sun)** West Suburban Coin & Collectible Expo, Countryside, IL Park Place of Countryside Banquet Hall, 6200 Joliet Road, Countryside, IL, 9 AM to 3 PM, Tables: 60, Admission: Free, Contact: Kevin Wasmer Phone: 630 969-8547, email: kwasmer@comcast.net

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January 9, (Sun) West Suburban Coin & Collectible Expo, Countryside, IL Park Place of Countryside Banquet Hall, 6200 Joliet Road, Countryside, IL, 9 AM to 3 PM, Tables: 60, Admission: Free, Contact: Kevin Wasmer Phone: 630 969-8547, email: kwasmer@comcast.net

February 13, **(Sun)** West Suburban Coin & Collectible Expo, Countryside, IL Park Place of Countryside Banquet Hall, 6200 Joliet Road, Countryside, IL, 9 AM to 3 PM, Tables: 60, Admission: Free, Contact: Kevin Wasmer Phone: 630 969-8547, email: kwasmer@comcast.net

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February 20, (Sun) Rockford Area Coin Club 97th Semi-Annual Coin Show, Rockford, IL 9 am to 4 pm, Location: Holiday Inn - Hoffman House, 7550 E. State St., Rockford, IL. Tables: 50 Fee: \$40 Admission: Free, Contact: Larry Kasberger, 2419 Circle Dr. Belvidere, IL. 61008 Phone: 815 547-6382

February 27, (Sun) Tazewell Numismatic Society 7th Early Spring Coin Show East Peoria, IL. Location: East Peoria Convention (Expo) Center, 4200 E. Washington St., East Peoria, IL (Rt. 8 Between East Peoria and Sunnyland) Tables: 60 +, Fee: \$40, Admission: Free, Contact: Dale Freidinger, PO Box 696, Pekin, IL. 61554 Phone: 309 353-6178

MARCH 6, (Sun) ILNA Spring Coin Show sponsored by the Wat-Cha-Kee Coin Club, Watseka, IL, 9 AM to 4 PM, Location: Celebrations on the Corner, 209 W. Oak St (Coner of 2nd and Oak), Watseka, IL, Tables: 30, Fee: 8ft. \$25, Admission: Free, Contact: John Tonner, 550 E. Mulberry St. Watseka, IL 60970 Phone: 815 432-6439

March 13, (Sun) West Suburban Coin & Collectible Expo, Countryside, IL Park Place of Countryside Banquet Hall, 6200 Joliet Road, Countryside, IL, 9 AM to 3 PM, Tables: 60, Admission: Free, Contact: Kevin Wasmer Phone: 630 969-8547, email: kwasmer@comcast.net

MARCH 20, (Sun) Central Illinois Numismatic Association Spring Coin Show-Springfield, IL. Location: Northfield Center I, Northfield Drive and Dirksen Parkway (3280 Northfield Drive) Springfield, IL. Tables: 60 Fee: \$40 Admission: \$1 C.I.N.A. Members and children 16 and under are free. Contact: Steve Butler, 1712 S. First St., Springfield, IL. 62704 Phone: 217 528-7634

April 3, (Sun) Hillsboro Hiltop Coin Club, 41st Gillespie Area Coin Show, 9 AM to 4 PM, Location: Gillespie Civic Center 115 N Macoupin Ave, Gillespie, IL Tables: 45 Fee: \$25 Admission: Free, Contact: Hiltop Coin Club, PO Box 23, Benld, IL 62009, email: hiltopcc@yahoo.com

APRIL 3, (Sun) Quad City Coin Club Annual Spring Coin Show, 9 AM to 4 PM, Location: Milan Community Center Camden Park, US Route 67, Milan, IL Tables: Admission: Free, Contact: John R. Brixey 1553 39th St, Rock Island, IL 61201, Phone: 309 788-8726

April 10, (Sun) West Suburban Coin & Collectible Expo, Countryside, IL Park Place of Countryside Banquet Hall, 6200 Joliet Road, Countryside, IL, 9 AM to 3 PM, Tables: 60, Admission: Free, Contact: Kevin Wasmer Phone: 630 969-8547, email: kwasmer@comcast.net

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May 8, (Sun) West Suburban Coin & Collectible Expo, Countryside, IL Park Place of Countryside Banquet Hall, 6200 Joliet Road, Countryside, IL, 9 AM to 3 PM, Tables: 60, Admission: Free, Contact: Kevin Wasmer Phone: 630 969-8547, email: kwasmer@comcast.net

May 15, (Sun) Tazewell Numismatic Society 15th 45th Anniversary Coin Show East Peoria, IL. *Location:* East Peoria Convention (Expo) Center, 4200 E. Washington St., East Peoria, IL (Rt. 8 Between East Peoria and Sunnyland) *Tables:* 60 +, *Fee:* \$40, *Admission:* Free, *Contact:* Dale Freidinger, PO Box 696, Pekin, IL. 61554 Phone: 309 353-6178

June 12, (Sun) West Suburban Coin & Collectible Expo, Countryside, IL July 10, (Sun) West Suburban Coin & Collectible Expo, Countryside, IL July 17, (Sun) Tazewell Numismatic Society Coin Show East Peoria, IL August 14, (Sun) West Suburban Coin & Collectible Expo, Countryside, IL

September 6 - 9 ILNA State Coin Show, Countryside, IL

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September 25, (Sun) Tazewell Numismatic Society Coin Show East Peoria, IL

November 13, (Sun) West Suburban Coin & Collectible Expo, Countryside, IL

November 13, (Sun) Central IL Numismatic Assoc. Coin Show-Springfield, IL.

November 21, (Sun) Tazewell Numismatic Society Coin Show East Peoria, IL.

December 11, (Sun) West Suburban Coin & Collectible Expo. Countryside. IL

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Central Illinois Numismatic Association. Meetings: Second Thursday of each month, 7:00 P.M. at the Knights of Columbus Hall, North Council #4175, 2801 West St., Springfield, IL. Information: Jay Peniwell, 4 Oak Ridge Dr. Decatur, IL. 62521. Phone 217 428-9853

Champaign-Urbana Coin Club. Meetings: First Monday of each month, 7:30 P.M. at the Urbana Civic Cent. Information: L. J. Kaczor, 1306 Hollycrest Dr. Champaign, IL. 61821, or call 217 356-9500

Chicago Coin Club. Meetings: Second Wednesday of each month, 7:00 P.M. at the BankOne building, Dearborn St. entrance between Madison & Monroe, Chicago, IL. Sign in at Security Desk and take elevator to 18th floor conference room. Information: Chicago Coin Club, P.O. Box 2301, Chicago, IL. 60690. Phone 773 878-8979. *email Your intent to attend a meeting to Carl Wolf at carlwolfco@msn.com so your name can be added to the security desk register

Club of Illinois NumismatistS (C.O.I.N.S. Club). Meetings: Second Thursday of each month, 7:30 P.M.. at the Hazel Crest Village Hall, 3000 W. 170th St, Hazel Crest, IL. Information: (Mailing address) C.O.I.N.S. Club, P.O. Box 2334, Homewood, IL 60429

Corn Belt Coin Club. Meetings: First Tuesday of each month, 7:30 P.M.. at the National City Bank, 200 E. Washington, Bloomington, IL. Information: Phone Jeff Stover 309 664-0688

Danville Coin Club. Meetings: Third Monday of each month, 7:00 P.M.. at the Palmer American Bank, Danville, IL. Information: Danville Coin Club, 2816 Baumgart, Danville, IL. 61832. Phone 217 443-6942

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Dupo Coin Club. *Meetings:* Third Monday of each month, 7:30 P.M.. at the V.F.W. Hall, 200 N. 5th St., Dupo, IL. *Information:* Dupo Coin Club, P.O. Box 3153, Fairview Hgts. IL. 62208. Phone Harry Niccum at 618 632-3331.

Edgar County Coin Club. *Meetings:* Third Sunday of each month, 2:00 P.M.. at the Edgar County Farm Bureau Bldg. basement, 210 W. Washington, Paris, IL. *Information:* Elmer Brazelton, 1231 N. High St., Paris, IL 61944 Phone: 217 463-2217

Elgin Coin Club. *Meetings:* First Wednesday of each month, 7:00 P.M.. at the Elgin VFW Post at 1601 Weld Road, Elgin, IL. *Information:* Mike Metras, President E.C.C., P.O. Box 561, South Elgin, IL. 60177 email: ecc@prairienet.com

Fairfield Coin Club. *Meetings:* Second Sunday of each Month (Except Sunday of Annual Show), Noon to 3:00 p.m. at Frontier College, (Highway 45-15 West) 2 Frontier Drive, Fairfield, IL. *Information:* Elias N. Simpson, 501 West King St., Fairfield, IL. 62837. *Phone:* 618 842-2035

Fox Valley Coin Club. *Meetings*: Second Thursday of each month, 7:30 p.m. at the Yorkville National Bank, Rte 47 & Van Emmon, Yorkville, IL. *Information*: Fox Valley Coin Club, P.O. Box 141, Plano, IL. 60545, Phone: 630 552-3491

Heart of Egypt Coin Club. *Meetings:* 3rd Sunday of each month, 1:00PM, at Illinois Centre Mall Community Room (next to Target), IL Rt 13 West, Marion, IL. *Information:* Ken King, 1014 N. Market St., Marion, IL 62959-2220 Phone (618) 997-9079

Hillsboro Hiltop Coin Club. *Meetings:* Last Wednesday of each month, 7:30 p.m. (except July) at the Challacombe House, 509 School St., Hillsboro, IL. *Information:* Hiltop Coin Club, P.O. Box 23, Benld, IL 62009 email: hiltopcc@yahoo.com

Indian Hill Coin Club. *Meetings*: Second Wednesday of each month, 8:00 p.m. at the Avon Township Hall, Washington St. in Round Lake Park. *Information*: Mike Hanninen, 2400 Horeb Ave., Zion, IL. 60099.

Lake County Coin Club. *Meeting*: First Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Location is Jester's Lounge, 1500 Lewis Ave, Waukegan, IL. *Information*: Lake County Coin Club, 2210 Crescent Pl., Waukegan, IL. 60085.

Mattoon Coin Club. *Meetings*: First Tuesday of each month, 7:30 p. m., Second floor of County Market (food store) at 20th St. and Western Avenue, Mattoon, *Information*: P.O. Box 143, Mattoon, IL. 61938.

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Local Clubs Meeting Information (Cont.)

Metro East Coin & Currency Club. Meetings: Third Tuesday of Sept. thru Nov. and Jan. thru April, 7:00 P.M. the Coin Shop, 1121 East Main, Belleville, IL. Information: St Clair Numismatic Society, 1121 E. Main. Belleville, IL. 62220. Phone 618 277-4493.

Oak Forest Numismatic Society. Meetings: First Thursday of each month, 7:00 p.m. at the Bremen Township Hall, 15350 Oak Park Ave., Oak Forest, IL. Information: OFNS, P.O. Box 287, Oak Forest, IL. 60452

Quad-City Coin Club. Meetings: Third Thursday of each month, 7:30 p.m. at the Garden Center of the Moline Park Board (located off 5th Ave, at 34th St.), Moline, IL. Information: John Brixey, Quad City Coin Club, P.O. Box 332, Moline, IL. 61266

Rantoul Coin Club. Meetings: Second Thursday of each month, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Temporarily at the American Lutheran Church, 500 Church Drive, Rantoul, IL., Information: RCC, 203 E. Campbell St. Rantoul, IL. 61866

Rockford Area Coin Club. Meetings: Third Thursday of each month, 6:00 PM at the Loves Park Library, 6340 N. Second St., Loves Park, IL (Just north of Rockford). Information: Don Smith, 100 W. Main, Rockton, IL 61072, Phone Daytime 815 624-0422

Sauk Trail Coin Club. Meetings: First Thursday of each month, 7:30 p. m. at the Chicago Heights Park District Building, 14th St. and Chicago Rd., Chicago Heights, IL. Information: Harold Ober, P.O. Box 242, Olympia Fields, IL. 60461. Phone 708 747-0461

Tazewell Numismatic Society. Meetings: First Wednesday of each month at the First United Methodist Church, 1315 Court Street (Across from hospital), Pekin, IL. Time: 7:00 PM Information: D. Freidinger, P.O. Box 1203, Pekin, IL 61555-1203. Phone 309 353-6178.

Wat-cha-kee Coin Club. Meetings: Second Thursday of each month, 7:30 p.m. (No meeting June, July, August) at Celebrations on the Corner, 209 W. Oak St (Coner of 2nd and Oak), Watseka, IL., Information: Phone Kermit Wasmer at 815 432-4636.

Will County Coin Club. Meetings: First Thursday of each month, 7:30 p.m. at the Ramada Limited, 1520 Commerce Lane, Joliet, IL. Information: Mark Wieclaw, 175 W. Wood St., New Lenox, IL. 60451 or phone 815 485-4137.

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